

City of Port St. Lucie

City Council

Meeting Minutes - Draft

121 SW Port St. Lucie
Blvd.
Port St. Lucie, Florida
34984

Shannon M. Martin, Mayor

Jolien Caraballo, Vice Mayor, District IV
Stephanie Morgan, Councilwoman, District I
Dave Pickett, Councilman, District II
Anthony Bonna, Councilman, District III

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Monday, March 11, 2024	1:00 PM	Council Chambers, City Hall
1.	Meeting Called to Order	
	A Regular & Virtual Meeting of the CITY COUNCIL of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Mayor Martin on March 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, 121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida & via Zoom.	
2.	Roll Call	
	Council Members	
	Present:	
	Mayor Martin	
	Councilman Bonna	
	Councilwoman Morgan (virtual)	
	Councilman Pickett	
	Members Not	
	Present: Vice Mayor Caraballo	
3.	Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance	
	The City Clerk gave the Invocation, and Mayor Martin led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.	
4.	Proclamations and Special Presentations	
4.a	Proclamation: Government Finance Professionals Week	2024-254
	Caroline Sturgis, Office of Management and Budget Director, accepted the Proclamation.	
4.b	Proclamation: Procurement Month	2024-255

Nathaniel Rubel, Assistant Procurement Director accepted the Proclamation

5. Public to be Heard

Joe James spoke regarding parking at the Community Center for early voting. Carmen Capezzuto, Neighborhood Services Director, informed the City Council and the Public that the City followed State Statutes, which were enforced by the Supervisor of Elections on voting day. He advised that he would speak with Mr. James.

6. Additions or Deletions to Agenda and Approval of Agenda

Councilman Pickett moved to approve the Agenda. Councilman Bonna seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. Approval of Consent Agenda

7.a Approval of the January 22, 2024 and February 12, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes [2024-253](#)

Approved.

7.b Allow Two Non-Profit Organizations to Host No-Charge Tournaments at The Saints Golf Course in 2024 as Provided for Through Policy #22-01md [2024-103](#)

Approved.

7.c Approve Request for Sponsorship of the St. Lucie Helping Hands, Inc., Third Annual Easter Eggstravaganza. [2024-172](#)

Approved.

7.d Approval to Participate in Martin County's Contract #2023-3527 for Chemicals for Water and Wastewater Treatment with Brenntag-Mid-South Inc. [2024-166](#)

Approved.

7.e Approval to Participate in the City of Stuart Contract #2023-207 for Temporary Personnel Services. [2024-183](#)

Approved.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilman Bonna moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

8. Second Reading of Ordinances, Public Hearings

8.a Ordinance 23-74, Public Hearing, An Ordinance of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, Amending the Comprehensive Plan of [2023-1173](#)

the City of Port St. Lucie to Provide a Large-Scale Amendment Consisting of Text Amendments to the Future Land Use Element by Amending Figure 1-6 as Requested by ACR Acquisition, LLC (P23-201)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 23-74 aloud by title only.

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Bridget Kean, Planning & Zoning Deputy Director, explained that this was an adoption hearing for a large-scale comprehensive plan text amendment to amend Figure 1-6 for the Future Land Use Element. She stated that Wilson Groves was an approved Development of Regional Impact (DRI) and gave a brief background on the project. She showed a location map, an aerial, a Land Use Map as well as maps of the existing and proposed Figure 1-6. She explained the proposed amendment, the staff analysis and staff recommendation.

Dan Sorrow, Coteleur & Hearing, stated that the state had no comment on the project and looked forward to progressing in the City.

Mayor Martin opened the Public Hearing and there being no one to speak, she closed the Public Hearing.

Councilman Pickett moved to approve Ordinance 23-74. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

9. Other Public Hearings

There was nothing scheduled for this item.

10. First Reading of Ordinances

There was nothing scheduled for this item.

11. Resolutions

- 11.a** Resolution 24-R10, Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing, A Resolution of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, Amending the Wilson Groves Master Development Plan (Map H), Exhibit "D" to the Development Order for the Wilson Groves Development of Regional Impact as most recently Amended in Resolution 11-R01, to Revise Map H to Reflect the Realignment of Becker Road, Changes to the Locations for School and Fire Station Sites, and Changes to the Locations and Configurations of the Residential, Mixed Use, and Neighborhood Village Commercial Sub-Districts (P21-127).

[2024-228](#)

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Testimony to staff and other interested parties. Mayor Martin inquired if there was any ex-parte communication, to which the City Council responded in the affirmative.

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R10 aloud by title only.

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Ms. Kean stated that she had been sworn in and added that the official file was submitted to the City Clerk's Office 5 days before the meeting and requested that it be entered into the record. She explained that the item was associated with the previous Comprehensive Plan Amendment and this application was the third amendment to the Wilson Grove DRI. The applicant was proposing to amend Map H and she added that there were no changes proposed to the DRI development order. She provided the project background, showed a location map, an aerial and a Land Use Map. She explained the proposed amendment with the existing Map H along with the proposed Map H map. She explained staff's analysis and recommendations.

Mr. Sorrow explained the additional steps & application needed for a DRI & stated that he was available for questions.

Mayor Martin opened the Public Hearing and there being no one to speak, she closed the Public Hearing.

Councilman Bonna moved to approve Resolution 24-R10. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion. Under discussion, Mayor Martin thanked Mr. Sorrow for explaining the requirements of a DRI. She stated that the DRI was approved years ago by a previous City Council and these steps were needed to move the project along. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 11.b** Resolution 24-R14, Authorization to Ratify Grant [2023-1105](#)
Amendment #2 with the South Florida Water Management
District for Grant Agreement #4600004360 for the Tradition
and Western Grove Reclaimed Water Main.

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R14 aloud by title only.

There being no discussion, Councilman Pickett moved to approve Resolution 24-R14. Councilman Bonna seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 11.c** Resolution 24-R15, Approve Well Site Conveyance [2024-118](#)
Agreement with Midway Glades Developers, LLC for the

Conveyance of Real Property to the City of Port St. Lucie.

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R15 aloud by title only.

There being no discussion, Councilman Bonna moved to approve Resolution 24-R15. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 11.d** Resolution 24-R16, Authorization to Enter into and Execute Grant Amendment #2 to South Florida Water Management District Alternative Water Supply Grant Agreement #4600004145 for McCarty Ranch Extension Water Quality Project Areas 3, 4 and 5.

[2023-1180](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R16 aloud by title only.

There being no discussion, Councilman Pickett moved to approve Resolution 24-R16. Councilman Bonna seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 11.e** Resolution 24-R17, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Easement Agreement between Florida Power & Light Company, a Florida Corporation, and the City of Port St. Lucie, necessary for the Design and Construction of a Raw Water Main; Providing for Conflict; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

[2024-171](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R17 aloud by title only.

There being no discussion, Councilman Bonna moved to approve Resolution 24-R17. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 11.f** Resolution 24-R18, a Resolution of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, Approving the Acceptance of a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement Relating to the Installation and Operation of a Utility Line Adjacent to the Midway Road Bridge.

[2024-207](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 24-R18 aloud by title only.

There being no discussion, Councilman Pickett moved to approve Resolution 24-R18. Councilman Bonna seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

12. Unfinished Business

There was nothing scheduled for this item.

13. New Business

- 13.a** Approve Purchase and Installation of a Dolphin Themed Sculpture Proposed by Peter Busby for the Oval-about at Floresta Drive between Walters Terrace and Damask Avenue.

[2024-110](#)

Bethany Grubbs, Planner III, provided an overview of the project and explained the Public Art Advisory Board's recommendations. She introduced Josh Lapp and Anna Talarico from Designing Local.

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Josh Lapp and Anna Talarico, Designing Local, gave a brief overview of the sculpture, location and the RFP. She advised that the height of the dolphins will vary but may range from eight feet to 12 feet. Mayor Martin reminded the Public that taxpayer money did not pay for public art as it was paid for by the developers and could only be used for public art.

Councilman Bonna moved to approve the Dolphin Themed Sculpture proposed by Peter Busby for the oval-about at Floresta Drive between Walters Terrace and Damask Avenue with the Public Art Advisory Board recommendations. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote. Public Works staff and the consultant/artist will review the direction of the dolphins prior to final City Council approval.

14. City Manager's Report

David Graham, Assistant City Manager, informed the Public of some events, River Nights on Thursday and St. Patrick's Day event for the weekend at the Event Center.

15. Councilmembers Report on Committee Assignments

Councilwoman Morgan: No report

Councilman Pickett: Treasure Coast Council of Local Government, Lake Charles HOA meeting, Riverland Veterans Club meeting.

Councilman Bonna: Presentation on the CCNA, Opening Day at Whispering Pines Park, Yankee/Mets game, and Annual Passion Play.

Mayor Martin: Vitalia Meeting, Pop 2000 concert. She mentioned that the Becker Road Sails Public Art was unlit, to which Colt Schwerdt, Public Works Director, replied that the materials were ordered and he would provide a follow-up.

16. Public to be Heard - (if necessary as determined by City Council at conclusion of public to be heard)

17. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Sally Walsh, City Clerk

Shanna Donleavy, Deputy City Clerk